US Army Corps of Engineers. Philadelphia District

PROJECT FACT SHEET

SILVER LAKE WETLAND AND FISHERY RESTORATION

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CONGRESSIONAL INFO: Sen. Clinton (NY), Sen. Schumer (NY), Rep. Hinchey (NY-22)

AUTHORITY: Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 as amended.

LOCATION: The study area is located in the Village of Woodridge, Town of Fallsburgh in Sullivan County.

STUDY/PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Village of Woodridge has requested Corps of Engineers assistance in restoring the lake. The project area is an 80-acre reservoir built as part of the Delaware and Hudson (D&H) Canal System. Aquatic habitat benefits will be achieved by wetland and fisheries habitat restoration. Excavated materials from the lake will be used for wetland and island creation in the western lake section and as cover for the Town of Fallsburg landfill. A riparian buffer will also be created along the inlet of the lake (Sandburg Creek).

STUDY/PROJECT STATUS: The study area has been investigated and an initial evaluation completed. A Preliminary Restoration Plan (PRP) has been developed which proposes restoration at a cost of approximately \$1.2 million, which will significantly improve the aquatic environment by stream and riparian restoration. The PRP is being reviewed by Higher Authority and if approved, a \$120,000 Planning and Design Phase will be requested in FY2005, which will develop a detailed plan, prepare and coordinate an environmental assessment, and prepare plans & specifications. Due to the nationwide demand for limited program funds, full funding in FY2005 may not be possible.

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS: An environmental assessment will need to be prepared.

SPONSOR: Village of Woodridge

CRITICAL ISSUES: None

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